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Column One
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THE fighting in the Straits of Formosa is a "greater menace to world peace than anything happening elsewhere," Sir Anthony Eden's judgment on this seems not to be exaggerated. Mr. Eisenhower has described it as a "powder-keg." Despatches from Formosa have told of "massive air raids" and a "giant pincer movement on the Tachens." The U.S. President has pointed out that the American "detachment" on the Tachens amounts to no more than four or five men, and both he and Mr. Dulles have belittled the importance of the islands. Mr. Eisenhower said last Wednesday that he knew of no military authority that rated the Tachen islands, whatever their value as an additional observation post, as a vital element in the defence of Formosa and the Pescadores, to which the United States remained committed. He added that he would like to see the United Nations exerting its good offices.

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THAT was what Mr. Dulles had said the day before. And Mr. Walter Lippmann, who so often reflects the State Department's views, the day before that had written: The Formosa situation "is made to order for a constructive action by the United Nations." Reports from Washington and New York hinted that Britain, or some member of the Commonwealth, might take the initiative in calling a meeting of the Security Council to consider the fighting in the Straits of Formosa on the ground that it had become a threat to world peace. These moves and possibilities were described by certain western delegates to U.N. as representing a "revolutionary" change in United States thinking on the relations between the two Chinas.

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CERTAINLY President Eisenhower had been typically restrained in his comments on the renewed fighting. On U.N. intervention he added "each side will probably insist that this is an internal affair." Much might be read into that remark and into one made later on by the President when referring to the question of the U.S. airmen imprisoned in China. It was idle, Mr. Eisenhower pointed out, to say that there could not be misunderstandings on the other side about American motives, intentions and ideas. The problem was to convince others that justice, decency and right was on America's side, and until then there could be a lot of misapprehension and misunderstanding. These were conciliatory words. They seem not to have received much encouragement from Peking.

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IN any event, since the President spoke as he did last Wednesday the developments have not been in the direction he hinted at. Instead of U.N. action — admittedly difficult — the White House has announced the President's intention to extend America's own commitments in the Straits of Formosa from Formosa itself and the Pescadores to the offshore islands of Quemoy and Matsu, the first offering the means of blockading Amoy harbour, and the second doing the same for Foochow. The purpose evidently is to prevent the Communists from following up their Tachen islands action with an attempted invasion of Formosa from Amoy and Foochow.

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IT is difficult to judge how these significant moves will work out in practice. It is not difficult to judge what will be the immediate response of Peking to the extension of American intervention to the very shores of the mainland. Naturally, that extension enlarges the area of risk and can be expected to deepen the volume of hostility between the United States and Communist China. For that reason Britain is likely to feel some alarm. It can be said, however, that if there is logic in American determination to defend Formosa from invasion there is logic in preventing any such invasion from getting under way. The trouble with logic of that kind is that events sometimes fly in its face. If they fly in the face of this new preventive action on the part of the United States anything may happen, including the worst, which no amount of logic would be able to put right.

Jerusalem, January 24.

Raab Threatens Slow-Down In Soviet Zone

VIENNA, Sunday (UP). — Chancellor Julius Raab today threatened an administrative slow-down in the Soviet sector of Austria in retaliation against the Russians' seizure of an Austrian official as a "war criminal."

Dr. Raab in a nation-wide address said that his Government planned decisive action to find "full personal security for our state officials when negotiating with Soviet occupation authorities in Austria."

The Chancellor said that Austria's action was prompted by the case of Alfred Sokolowski, an interpreter in Vienna for Austrian and Soviet city officials. He was seized by the Soviets on January 15 and charged with "war crimes" against Russia.

"Unless the Soviet authorities are willing to guarantee personal security for government officials negotiating official business with them," Dr. Raab said, "we must consider restricting such negotiations to "cabinet members, the provincial governors and the Mayor of Vienna." Such a move would slow the political administration of the Soviet zone to a crawl.

Sokolowski, 35, was summoned to Soviet military headquarters on what he thought was a routine liaison mission. However, the Russians seized him as a "war criminal" and have announced they will try him before an army tribunal.

Chancellor Raab confirmed that his protest in the Sokolowski case to the Soviet High Commissioner had been rejected. The Soviets claimed that Sokolowski was a Soviet citizen and deserted to the Nazi army during World War II.

The Chancellor said that the Russian charges against Sokolowski were false.

Troops Mobilized To Fight Rising Seine

PARIS, Sunday. — Thousands of troops and police were mobilised today to fight the rising Seine River which mounted past the seven-metre flood mark.

The river rose to its highest level in 31 years, and only the cessation of rain today prevented it from topping that record. Rats driven from the rivers and the historic sewers of Paris swarmed through suburban hamlets and the Ile St. Louis. Whole islands have vanished in the Seine.

The Ministry of Interior ordered all Army food stocks in the Seine valley, now a sea of mud, placed at the disposal of the civil authorities. An estimated 20,000 persons were driven from their homes, and some 30,000 are unemployed because the rivers have flooded the factories where they work.

Early today, 1,000 Army engineers and hundreds of firemen arrived in an effort to save the dykes and rescue those marooned in the flooded suburbs. They brought with them 120 motor barges. Worst hit of the suburbs is Ceretetl where the Marne flooded 3,000 houses. At Asnieres and Courbevoie, about 800 houses are isolated.

Reports said that some 300 villages, towns and hamlets have been affected by the floods.

The river seeped into the cellars of Notre Dame Cathedral and other famous buildings. It also crept into the cellars of the Palais de Justice and forced the authorities to have the prisoners moved upstairs. *(UP, Reuter)*

French Launch Second Algerian Offensive

ALGERIA, Sunday (Reuter).— Three thousand French troops began a second offensive against outlaws in the south of the Aures Mountains today, it was announced in Algiers.

The sweep follows the operation started last Wednesday in which 5,000 men supported by aircraft and armour moved into the mountain area where some 600 outlaws are reported to be hiding.

Troops, including Foreign Legionnaires and sharpshooters, started to sweep the Djebel Tisa and Fouts area at dawn today. Colonel Millet, the commander of the 25th Parachute Division, was in charge of the operation nicknamed "Violettes."

Reforms to Ease Tax In Middle Brackets

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Changes in the income tax regulations were referred by the Cabinet at yesterday's weekly session to the Ministerial Economic Committee. They will have to be passed by the Knesset before April 1 if they are to apply to the 1955/56 fiscal year.

The proposed changes would ease the total tax burden by IL.10m. in the 1955 tax year. Although the Government spokesman was not prepared to describe how the individual taxpayer would be affected, he did state that taxpayers in every income bracket would pay less taxes, and that taxpayers in the middle income bracket (IL.3,000 to IL.6,000) would benefit the most.

(The "tax year," equivalent to the year in which the taxable income is earned, replaces, by an administrative measure, the "assessment year." The 1955 tax year is from April 1955 to March 1956).

Beginning April 1, 1955, the differentiation applied to self-employed persons, resulting from the untaxed cost-of-living allowance earned only by employees, would be abolished. In the current tax year, ending March 31, self-employed persons would be given at least 75 per cent of the c-o-l exemption enjoyed by employees.

Another measure provides that an employee whose tax is deducted at source will not be taxed on additional income up to an amount to be determined by the Knesset Finance Committee. This amount is expected to be around IL.300.

Farmers Get Reduction

Farmers would be given the same 10 per cent tax reduction now enjoyed by employees, under another provision of the draft Bill. It is not known at this stage whether citrus growers would be considered as farmers for this purpose.

The draft sets up three categories of self-employed persons; the burden of proof on them, in case of a difference between them and the assessing officer as to their income; persons whose expenditure has been considerably greater than their stated income; persons whose personal property has increased by more than their stated income, and persons whose stated income is considerably less than that considered normal for a given occupation and/or location.

The draft Bill gives the Government the authority to exempt persons living in new settlements from paying either all or part of their income tax. The geographical location of the settlement will have greater weight than its age, in determining which are "new settlements." The Government would have the right to apply this exemption not only to farmers, but to other persons living in areas recognised as new settlements, such as doctors, teachers and artisans.

Taxes are not now collected from workers in new settlements, the Government spokesman said last night, but the proposed amendment would pro-

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Eshkol Asks IL.192m. For Development

The Minister of Finance, Mr. Levi Eshkol, yesterday submitted to the Committee of Economic Ministers the draft development budget for 1955/56 amounting to about IL.192 m. The requests of the various ministries had amounted to IL.460 m. according to an official announcement. The Director-General of the Ministry of Finance Mr. P. Sapir, spoke on the principles on which the budget had been built. The debate will be continued at the Committee's next meeting.

The Development Budget for 1954/55 was IL.196m.

The Committee approved the decision of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry for the publication today of a new list of rates for various services and commodities. The order provides for laundry rates to be set at 500 pruta per kilogram in Tel Aviv and 510 pruta in Jerusalem and Haifa. Haircuts will cost 650 pruta, oranges 130 pruta per kilogram and fresh citrus juice 80 pruta per glass.

The Committee began discussions on a proposed amendment to the Income Tax Ordinance. This debate will also be continued at the next meeting.

The Committee approved the first stage of the programme to expand the Ata Textile plant aiming at doubling its output, and greatly increasing its exports. The Government will grant a long-term loan to the concern from the Development budget, and will enable it to acquire equipment on long-term credits within the framework of the Reparations Agreement.

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Cabinet Discusses Foreign Affairs

A major portion of yesterday's regular Cabinet meeting was devoted to a comprehensive review of problems of foreign policy by the Prime Minister and Foreign Minister, Mr. Moshe Sharett.

Although details were not made public, the Government spokesman said that the problems discussed by Mr. Sharett included the proposed Turco-Iraqi treaty, the meetings of Ambassador Abba Eban with the U.S. Secretary of State, free passage through the Suez Canal, the four Israel soldiers being held in Syria, recent border incidents and the arrival this week of Mr. Eric Johnston.

The Israel delegation to the forthcoming talks with Mr. Eric Johnston, President Eisenhower's special envoy on the Jordan River scheme, will consist of the Minister of Finance, Mr. Levi Eshkol, the Director-General of the Ministry, Mr. P. Sapir, the Director General of the Prime Minister's Office, Mr. T. Kollek, and Mr. Ya'acov Herzog, head of the American Division of the Foreign Ministry, according to an official announcement.

The Prime Minister, and the Ministers of Commerce and Industry, and Agriculture will also participate in some of the meetings.

Advisers to the delegation will be Messrs. Simha Blass, Aharon Weiner, Gideon Rafael, Shabetai Rosenne, Joseph Tekoa, David Cahana and Ra'anan Weitz.

G.I. Ministers Confer With Sharett, Eshkol

General Zionist Ministers conferred yesterday for over an hour with Mr. Moshe Sharett and Mr. Levi Eshkol. The purpose of the meeting was to invite the General Zionists to state their attitude on the vote in the Knesset on the Budget; whether the General Zionist bloc would vote for against, or abstain. The talk, adjourned to make way for the Cabinet meeting, is expected to be resumed this afternoon.

It is understood that the General Zionist Ministers sought further concessions, among them the equalisation of the private and collective sector with regard to Income Tax, and separate balloting, at different times, for national and local elections.

14 Killed as British Train Jumps Tracks

BIRMINGHAM, Sunday. — Fourteen persons were killed tonight when an express train was derailed at Sutton-Coldfield, 22 kms. north-west of here.

The train was bound from Bristol for York, and an engine and nine coaches jumped the tracks passing through the station. A mobile surgical unit went to the scene of the accident for on-the-spot emergency operations. *(UP, Reuter)*

Pravda Shows Photos Of Atomic Station

MOSCOW, Sunday (UP). — The Communist Party paper "Pravda" today printed three photos of the atomic power station of the Science Academy.

One showed the building containing an atomic pile, another the top part of the atomic pile, and the third pictured the control station with an operator, signal lamps and other apparatus.

China Rejects Talk Of UN Mediation Over Formosa

China declared last night that talk of using the good offices of the United Nations to bring about a cease-fire in the Formosa area was "an attempt at interference in the domestic affairs of China and at expanding aggression under the U.N. flag."

Peking Radio, quoted by Reuter, broadcast an article from the Peking "People's Daily" which said: "If the U.S. is really concerned over peace in the Far East, it must immediately withdraw its armed forces from the Formosa area, since the Far East tension has been caused by its aggressive act of occupying Formosa. This is the way to ease tension in the Far East. All other ways are in fact encouraging aggression, dividing China and aggravating Far East tension."

The article appeared on the eve of President Eisenhower's message to Congress, to be delivered today and reported by seeking authority to defend not only Formosa and the neighbouring Pescadores islands but also the offshore islands of Quemoy and Matsu. The President is also expected to propose the use of American air and naval power to cover the evacuation of Nationalist troops from the Tachen island group off the southern coast of Chekiang Province.

It appeared to be China's reply to the report that the U.S., Britain and New Zealand favour a cease-fire in the area under the auspices of the United Nations. The New Zealand Prime Minister, Mr. Sidney Holland, left Washington for New York yesterday after talks on this question.

Admiral Alfred Pride, Commander of the U.S. 7th Fleet, arrived in Taipeh yesterday aboard his flagship, the cruiser Helena. He is expected to confer with Nationalist leaders concerning the military situation, and in particular with regard to the Nationalist-held islands off the mainland.

Meanwhile, the National Air Force announced yesterday that five waves of its heavy bombers raided Communist junk concentrations and gun positions in the now Communist-held Yikiangshan island which changed hands on Tuesday. *(Reuter, UP)*

First German Vessel Here After 16 Years

HAIFA, Sunday. — The 3,500-ton freighter, the "S.S. Pergamon," arrived here today, the first German ship to call since 1939. She brought 1,000 tons of pig iron for the Shlumim Corporation. Her arrival marked the opening of a regular service by the German Levant Line, the company's agents told newsmen who visited the ship. The vessel is being heavily guarded by the police.

The Pergamon's master, Capt. Willi Schlerff, welcomed the newsmen aboard his ship in the name of his company. At the request of the Israel Purchasing Mission, he had not hoisted the German flag while sailing into port. His crew had been allowed to land, but he had granted them no shore leave because the ship was scheduled to sail soon, probably tomorrow.

"Our two peoples were enemies not long ago and we have done you much wrong," the captain said. "Germany cannot repair the wounds inflicted on individuals, but she is endeavouring to make good the financial damage that has been caused. We are now trying to make contact with you, but I don't know how the relations will develop."

Most of his crew of 34 are in their early twenties and professed no interest in politics. Capt. Schlerff has been a merchant marine officer uninterruptedly since 1929, and called here many times for the Levant Line before 1939.

The "Pergamon" came from Salonika. The German Levant Line has been doing business in the Middle East for the past 60 years.

Beit Govrin is Main U.J.A. Project

NEW YORK, Sunday (INA).— One of the principal items on the United Israel Appeal's budget for this year is the resettlement project of the Beit Govrin area in the northern Negev, to be reclaimed and developed at the cost of $14m. for this year's portion of work.

This was announced today by Mr. Dewey D. Stone of Brockton, Massachusetts, the industrialist and active participant in many cultural philanthropic undertakings who was today elected National Chairman of the U.J.A. at the annual meeting here of its Board of Directors. He succeeds Mr. Rudolf G. Sonneborn, who served for four years.

The U.J.A.'s budget for this year will be $89,960,000. The major portion will be provided by American Jews; simultaneous campaigns in other countries and loans will provide the balance.

Mr. Stone said the Beit Govrin project this year will include about 15 villages with a population of 6,000, with the first settlement to be completed this July. The development scheme, he said, is tied up with the Israel absorption programme, particularly with the expected influx this year of 30,000 destitute newcomers from North Africa.

He said that the tasks for 1955 are to give the settlements water, equipment, general assistance and necessary security measures, to help educate the youth and to try to erase the "transition centres from the map of Israel.

He said that this "vast undertaking" in the northern Negev includes one million dunams, of which one-third is fit for intensive cultivation with the rest to be used for pasture and afforestation. The next few years call for 48 settlements in the Beit Govrin area with a population of 20,000, he declared.

DINNER YIELDS $10M.

NEW YORK, Sunday. — Mr. Paul Hoffman, Chairman of the Board of Studebaker-Packard Corporation and former head of the Ford Foundation, predicted last night that the Israel people, backed by the American Jewish community, would reach the goals they had set for 1960 — expansion of irrigation, farm production and farming exports.

Mr. Hoffman was the principal speaker at a testimonial dinner to Mr. Edward Warburg, for 18 years leader of the United Jewish Appeal. One thousand guests present contributed more than $10m. in an advance start of the annual U.J.A. campaign. *(UP, INA)*

Agur Murderers Detained In Jordan, U.N. Informed

Iraqi Premier Decides To Attend Cairo Talks

The Iraqi Prime Minister, General Nuri e-Said, plans to join the Arab Prime Ministers' meeting to discuss objections to his proposed defence pact with Turkey "as soon as my doctors allow me to travel."

An Iraqi Embassy spokesman in Cairo said that Nuri expressed his wish to attend the conference in a cable sent yesterday to the five Arab Prime Ministers at the talks, which opened on Saturday with Egypt opposing the pact as it might commit the Arab group to the West in any war.

At their session yesterday the Arab leaders, it was understood, did not discuss the proposed Turco-Iraqi pact but merely touched upon the general foreign policy of the Arab states. It was clear that the elements of moderation won the first round in the Cairo-Baghdad squabble.

The Iraqi Ambassador to Cairo, Nagib Rawi, said later that the Prime Minister would send his Foreign Minister or a special envoy to the conference if his illness prevented him from reaching Cairo by tomorrow or Wednesday.

Nuri e-Said wrote in his cable: "I wish I could have gone to Cairo at the earliest opportunity to attend your meetings, which I hope will be of great benefit to the Arab countries and peoples, but I am still confined to bed. However, I hope... to be permitted by my doctors to leave for Cairo in the next few days to be present at your meetings."

The newspaper "Al Gumhouria," mouthpiece of the Egyptian Government, said yesterday that opposition to the pact by Iraqis had reached a point where Nuri e-Said has "lost his nerve and begun to launch a campaign against liberal elements in the country." Cairo reports stated that "Al Gumhouria" has been banned in Iraq since January 9.

Meanwhile, Baghdad officially complained to Cairo against the violent anti-Iraqi campaign carried out even in the Hebrew transmissions of Cairo Radio, as well as broadcasts of extracts from "Pravda" and a speech by the Syrian Communist Deputy, Khaled Bakdash attacking the Turco-Iraqi treaty.

In Beirut, a 24-hour hunger strike by students of the American University in protest against the Turco-Iraqi treaty resulted in the dismissal of 17 students and the temporary suspension from classes of 28 until their cases have been studied. They are accused of inciting over 80 fellow students to strike.

(Reuter, ANA, NEABS)

Pact Nets Iraq More US Weapons

By JESSE ZEL LURIE
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON, Sunday. — The announcement here yesterday that the second shipment of American arms was already on its way to Iraq is seen here as a direct result of the Iraqi-Turkish regional pact.

It was reported from Baghdad last week that Iraqi officials saw in the new treaty with Turkey an excellent opportunity to overcome opposition by Israel sympathizers in the U.S. to the programme of arming Iraq. The new treaty is thus cited as "tangible proof" of Iraq's determination to use American arms against a possible invader, instead of against Israel.

The Iraqi Chief of Staff, Major-General Mohammed Rafik Arif, announced that Iraq intended to modernize two divisions of her present small ground forces and to create a new mechanized division with the American equipment.

He told "The New York Times" that Iraq was particularly interested in obtaining 105-mm. and 155-mm. howitzers to complement the British 5½ pour 25rs and the lighter artillery which she now has. He said that Iraq also hoped to receive American F-84 Thunderjets and F-86 Sabrejets, for her small tactical Air Force which is now equipped with British aircraft.

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Syrians Fire On Galilee Settlers

Automatic fire was opened from a Syrian military position across the lines at a shepherd of the Dan settlement in Northern Galilee, while he was tending his flocks in the settlement's fields yesterday morning, the Israel Army spokesman announced. No one was hit. Israel has lodged a complaint with the Israel-Syrian Mixed Armistice Commission.

Members of the Hagovrim settlement, in Northern Galilee, were fired upon from a Syrian military position across the lines on Saturday night, the Israel army spokesman announced. Israel has lodged a complaint with the M.A.C.

General Burns will meet the Senior Egyptian MAC delegate, Colonel Salah Gohar, in the Gaza Strip tomorrow, NEABS reported. Colonel Gohar will transmit to the General, his government's views on the five-point proposal of the T.S.O. for the lessening of tension along the border.

Difficulties in arriving at an acceptable draft, which have prevented the signature of the Jerusalem Local Commanders Agreement for the last three months, have been overcome and the agreement is scheduled to be signed this week, the Old City daily "Falastin" reports.

It is understood, *The Jerusalem Post* learns, that General Burns is to visit Amman today to confer with General Glubb. There is no hard news of the achievement of a local commanders agreement, but progress has been made by the TSO chief in ironing out remaining points of difference.

Merhavim police are conducting an investigation following the discovery last night of 80 kilograms of high explosives and 500 rounds of rifle ammunition in the Western Negev.

A sheep valued at IL.160 was stolen last night from the Peduyim settlement, near the Beersheba-Gaza road.

General Burns, Chief of Staff of the U.N. Truce Supervision Organization, conferred with UN Observers attached to the Israel-Syrian Mixed Armistice Commission, during a week-end visit to Tiberias. The return of the four Israel soldiers imprisoned in Damascus was presumably discussed, but General Burns informed *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday that he had no news of a change in the situation. He returned to Government House last night, after a private tour of Galilee.

Cairo Show Trial Sentences 'Ready'

For the third time in as many weeks, it was announced in Cairo yesterday that the sentences on the 10 Jews tried on charges of spying for Israel will be published "at the end of this week," according to NEABS yesterday.

The trial ended on January 5 and there have since been announcements each week that the sentences would be made public as soon as confirmed.

Yesterday, the President of the High Military Tribunal which tried the accused said that the members of the court have finally agreed upon the sentences. These have now been forwarded for confirmation to the Premier, Col. Abdul Nasser, in his capacity as Military Governor.

Killers Said Original Settlers of Area

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — The murderers of the two Israel tractor-drivers belonging to Mevo Betar, who were found slain in their hut at Agur last Tuesday, have been apprehended, according to a Jordan report, transmitted to the Israel authorities through the U.N. today.

No details were given by Major Mohammed Izhak, one of the Jordan delegates to the Israel-Jordan Mixed Armistice Commission who conveyed the information, except that the men—it was not stated how many — were originally inhabitants of Agur.

At the emergency meeting of the Israel-Jordan MAC held last Thursday to consider Israel's complaint on the matter, the Chairman, Colonel C. Brewster, abstained from voting on the Israel resolution condemning Jordan for the murder on the grounds that there was not sufficient evidence to blame Jordan for the crime.

It will be recalled that last summer an announcement similar to that made by Major Izhak yesterday was put out by Jordan. Two Israel soldiers had been killed near Bir Ma'in, in the vicinity of Latrun. Jordan authorities solemnly stated later that a Legionnaire had confessed to the crime. However nothing has ever been heard of the man. He was never tried in public, nor was an announcement of his fate ever made.

Britain Denies Israel Feelers on Defence

LONDON, Sunday (INA). — Official Whitehall circles today disclaimed any knowledge of a newspaper report this morning that Israel has indicated to British Middle East commanders that she is ready to discuss close defence arrangements with this country.

Meanwhile, the Israel Embassy spokesman denied the words attributed to him by a correspondent of the North American Newspaper Alliance in a dispatch from London. The correspondent, referring to supposed Israel approaches to Labour Party officials regarding Israel participation in the Commonwealth, quoted the Israel spokesman here as saying that he knew a proposal had been discussed but that there was nothing official in it. The spokesman said that he did not know that such a proposal had been discussed, nor had there been any feelers in this direction.

A proposal that is gaining some support — though in no way connected with Israel's joining the Commonwealth — is the suggestion by Mr. Richard Crossman, Labour M.P., who recently returned from a trip to the Middle East, that an Allied force be stationed at Gaza with the use of Haifa for bringing in supplies. He considers such a base as both defensively good for Mediterranean allies because it is near the Suez Canal, and also likely to have a sobering effect on any of the Middle East states contemplating aggression.

But there is no reason to suppose that this suggestion has been recently discussed on a higher level than among Parliamentary members, nor that it commends itself to Western commanders.

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Social & Personal

Mr. David Wilk, Acting Assistant District Superintendent of Police in Jerusalem, has been appointed Commander of the Jerusalem Division as of February 1. Mr. Yisrael Meiberg, present Commander of the Division, will assume the post of Assistant District Superintendent on that date.

ARRIVALS: Mr. Luigi Cittafari, Second Secretary of the Italian Legation, from Rome after a short home leave (by LAI); Mr. Y. L. Bisker, of the Ministry for Religious Affairs, and Mr. S. Shunami, of the Jewish National and University Library, from a mission to Europe in connection with the salvaging of Jewish libraries and cultural treasures; Mr. Hillel Bohem, Director of the Children's Department at the Rytanim Hospital in the Jerusalem Corridor, from a three-month study trip.

DEPARTURES: Mr. Sergiu Celibidache, after conducting a number of IPO concerts, for London (by LAI).

Dr. Michael Simon, Chief of Protocol of the Foreign Ministry, will address the Netanya Rotary Club at Hotel Greenstein at 7.45 tonight.

An exhibition of 91 paintings from a dozen private collections was opened yesterday by Mr. M. Namir, Secretary-General of the Histadrut, at the newly renovated Painters and Sculptors Association Pavilion in Tel Aviv.

$100,000 for Technion Farm Engineering Dep't

HAIFA, Sunday. — The Department of Agricultural Engineering which opened last year at the Technion here, has received a gift of $100,000 from Mr. Samuel Brody of Detroit, Michigan. The funds will be used for construction of the Department's new building on the campus of Technion City on Mount Carmel.

Professor Walter C. Lowder, milk is to arrive here next month to assume his duties as head of the Department in which 70 students are now enrolled. Mr. Herman Finkel, senior lecturer at the Technion, is acting head of the Department.

Nurses to Be Counted

The Ministry of Health is to hold a national census in the near future of all graduate, practical, and children's nurses and midwives. They will have to be registered under the bill regulating their professional standards which the Ministry has just finished drafting.

The Bill provides that a licence can be withdrawn from a nurse guilty of unprofessional conduct, lack of capability, gross negligence in professional duties, persistent contravention of regulations of this Bill, or a criminal offence, and from one who forfeits Israel citizenship for one reason or another.

Cinemas

JERUSALEM
At 1.30, 4.30 and 8.30 p.m.
ARMON: Apache.
EDEN: Magnolia.
EDISON: Lies, 2nd week.
ORGIL: Witness to Murder.
ORION: How to Marry a Millionaire.
ORNA: The Diamond Queen.
RON: Tanganyka.
STUDIO: Frenzy.
TEL OR: Sea-Devils, 2nd week.
ZION HALL: Ghana, 2nd week.

TEL AVIV
At 1.30, 7.15 and 9.15 p.m.
ALLENBY: "Les Enfants de l'Amour", 2nd week.
ESTHER: The Search.
ARMON DAVID: Wife for a Night, 2nd week.
HOGBARI: Three coins in the Fountain, 5th week.
TAMAR: Come Back, Little Sheba, 7.15 and 9.15 p.m. Red, Hot and Blue, continuous from 9.45 a.m. to 5.45 p.m.
RAMIS: Stalag 17, 2nd week; 7.15 and 9.15 only. Continuous from 10 a.m. to 5.30 p.m.: Mexican Love.

LAW REPORT

The Jerusalem Post, January 24, 1955

In the Supreme Court Sitting as Court of Civil Appeal
Before Justices Agranat, Bussgman and Witkon.

The Attorney General, Appellant, v. Leah Ben Avi, Respondent

Income Tax Department Lease Appeal
(C.A. 34/54).

The Supreme Court dismissed an appeal against a decision of the Jerusalem District Court, sitting as a Court of Income Tax Appeals, which was delivered on September 20, 1954. (I.T.A. 24/54)

A contractor who built a block of flats in Haifa sold two of these flats to the respondent for IL.4,800. One of the terms of the contract of sale was that, while the flats would be registered in the respondent's name, the contractor would have the right to let them initially to whomsoever he chose and to receive the key money for them. The respondent would then be entitled to the monthly rent.

The contractor received IL.4,600 key money for the two flats. In his income tax returns, he added the IL.4,600 purchase money which he had received from the respondent to the IL.4,600 key money and declared a total sum of IL.9,000 as having been received in return for the two flats.

The assessment officer claimed income tax on the IL.4,600 from the respondent, on the grounds that she had received it, indirectly, as key money. Judge Many of the Jerusalem District Court allowed the appeal against this assessment; the Attorney General appealed against this decision.

Dr. M. Stein appeared for the Attorney General; Dr. K. Stanner for the respondent.

Judgment

Justice Witkon, who delivered the judgment of the Supreme Court, agreed with the appellant that there was no doubt that income not directly received by the taxpayer but diverted by him into other channels was still taxable, but pointed out that a necessary criterion in this case was that the source of the income should remain the property of the taxpayer. If, however, the taxpayer had lawfully assigned the source of the income to another person, then he was not liable for income tax. In the present case, continued Justice Witkon, the income was the key money, and the source of the income lay in the right to rent the flats. If he had thought that the respondent had had the right to rent the flats and to receive the key money, then he would not have hesitated to say that she must pay income tax on the key money. But it was clear in this case that the respondent had not bought two flats with vacant possession, since the contractor had retained the right to let the flats for his own benefit.

In other words, continued the Justice, the respondent had acquired two flats whose total value was IL.9,000—comprised of IL.4,600 for the right of ownership (expressed in terms of a 999 years' leasehold) and IL.400 for the right of possession. The contractor could have disposed of both these rights simultaneously to one person; or he could have transferred the right of ownership to one person and the right of possession to another. He had chosen the latter course. The respondent was, therefore, not the owner of the right of possession and could not dispose of the source of income from which the key money was derived. Proof of this lay in the fact that the contractor was the one who, according to the agreement, had to find the tenants and to collect the key money.

Appeal dismissed.

Judgment given on January 13, 1955.

Israel to Ratify Geneva Copyright Convention

Israel is expected to ratify the Geneva Copyright Convention in the near future and will thus ensure her writers and musicians almost automatic copyright privileges in the U.S. and other member countries, it was announced this week. The Geneva Convention, signed in September 1952 and since ratified by 40 nations, protects the works of citizens of member nations until 25 years from the artist's death or, in some countries, for 25 years from the day of first publication. The U.S. ratified the Convention in December 1954.

The Berne Copyright Convention of 1886, the only previous international agreement concerning copyrights of artistic works, was seriously weakened by the non-participation of the U.S. and several Latin American countries. Following the signing of the Geneva Convention, the U.S. has amended its copyright law so that citizens of member nations may have their works protected in that country without going through the formalities previously required.

Med. Students Think Again

Hebrew University medical students are to meet today to reconsider their recent decision to withdraw from the Hebrew University's Students Association in protest against its "party" outlook.

The decision to reopen discussions follows a petition signed by 100 students, mainly of the lower years. Representatives of the Students Union are to explain its stand at this meeting.

BURAIMI ARBITRATION STARTS IN NICE

NICE, Sunday (Reuter). — An international arbitration commission started work here yesterday to decide on the ownership of the Buraimi oasis, claimed by both Saudi Arabia and two British-backed sheikhdoms.

The Commission consists of government representatives from Britain and Saudi Arabia, and legal experts from Belgium, Pakistan and Cuba. Sir Reader Bullard, former British Ambassador to Persia, is the British representative, acting in the dispute for the Sultan of Muscat and Oman, and the Sheikh of Abu Dhabi. Saudi Arabia has sent her Foreign Minister, Sheikh Yussuf Yassin, and Abd. ul Rahman Azzam, former Secretary-General of the Arab League.

MORE MILK, EGGS LESS VEGETABLES

A total of 96.8 million litres of milk, 263.2 million eggs and 38,623 tons of potatoes were supplied to the local market during the first 11 months of last year, representing increases of 16, seven and 31 per cent respectively over the same period of 1953, according to figures released recently by the Central Bureau of Statistics. The supply of vegetables, on the other hand, dropped by six per cent to 126,885 tons.

The building costs index during the month of November, stood at 365.6 points, while the wholesale price index dropped from 1,769 in November to 1,767 in December (base of 100 in June, 1936).

Drug for Hiccups

CHICAGO, Sunday (UP). — Two Brooklyn physicians have discovered a drug which will cure hiccups almost instantaneously, an American Medical Association report said yesterday.

Dr. Charles E. Friedgood and Dr. Charles B. Ripstein stated that all but four out of 50 patients stopped hiccuping when given chlorpromazine. The physicians added that though hiccups may be just a nuisance to most persons, in some illnesses they may progress to exhaust the patient's strength and produce marked depression or even death.

After receiving one injection of the new drug, a patient who had been hiccuping continuously for nine months was immediately cured, they said.

ON THE AIR

FIRST PROGRAMME
202, 240, 48.0 & 32.5 M.
NEWS: Hebrew: 7 a.m., 1.30, 6.00, 6.15, 8.30 and 11.00 p.m. Arabic Programme (including News): 8 a.m. 2.15 & 4.30 p.m.
6.30 a.m. Service. 6.35 Exercise. 6.45 Musical Clock (R). 7.15 Melodies (R). 9.00 Close Down.
12.00 M. "Music at Noon" (R). 12.30 Concert Hall: Mozartiana (Tchaikovsky); "The Rio Grande" (Lambert); Symphony No. 4 (Mendelssohn). 1.30 Light Notes (R). 3.30 Close Down.
4.00 p.m. Sheets (R). 4.30 Notes for Scripture Reading 4.45 Vocal Recital: David Garb. 5.15 Child's Corner. 5.30 Children's Hour. 7.00 Opera: Falstaff (Verdi) Act I. 7.45 Talk. 8.00 Youth Programme 8.25 Bible Reading. 8.45 Building of the State. 9.00 Curtain Up. 10.00 Collegium Musicum: presented by Max Lampel, Peggy Hayman, Hanoch Tel-Oren, Arieh Sachs, Kol Yisrael Chamber Orchestra. Conductor: Heinz Freudenthal: Organ Concerto (Handel); "Rubensiana" (Mussio). 10.40 Notturno. 11.05 Close Down.
SECOND PROGRAMME
422, 255, 216, 327, 48.0 & 32.5 M.
English News: 1.45 p.m., 10.15 p.m. French News: 2.00 p.m.
IMMIGRANTS' HOUR: 6.15 p.m. Programme for Yemenites. 6.30 French. 7.00 Ladino. 7.30 Yiddish. 8.00 Close Down. 8.45 Rumanian. 9.00 Hungarian. 9.15 Close Down.
KOL ZION LAGOLA: (32.3 M.): 11.15 p.m. News. 11.25 Bonds in Israel 11.45 Easy Hebrew Conversation.
ARMY PROGRAMME (44.4, 216, 235 & 329 M.): 6.30 Opening. 6.35 Phantasy 7.00 Requests (Hebrew Songs). 7.30 Among the Flags. 8.00 Sabal Orchestra. 8.20 News. 8.40 Concert. Works by Grieg & Bartok. 10.00 Close Down.
B.B.C. HEBREW BROADCASTS: (24.92, 31.22, 41.32 & 50.26 M.): 6.30-7.00 p.m. News, News Talk. Echoes from the world.

Costers Complain Of Pressure from Shops

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Thirty vegetable stall-holders demonstrated yesterday in the Jerusalem Municipal building against their expulsion in the morning from Rehov Agrippas, at the end of Mahane Yehuda, where they had set up a small market. They were received by Rabbi Moshe Porush, Deputy Mayor, who said that a final decision would be taken this week.

The city claims that the stallholders, who are unlicensed, hinder the free flow of traffic at the spot.

A spokesman for the hawkers pointed out that a Municipal Inspector transferred them five months ago from Rehov Jaffa to Rehov Agrippas and that no problem of "hindering traffic" arose until they began consistently to undersell shopkeepers in the vicinity.

STAN (THE MAN) GETS $80,000

ST. LOUIS (Missouri) Sunday (UP). — Stan (The Man) Musial, the National League's highest paid player, with a reported salary of $80,000 a year, signed his 1955 contract with the St. Louis Cardinals yesterday along with Red Schoendienst, the Red Birds' spark plug. The double-barrelled ceremony was probably the biggest money signing at contract time in baseball history.

There was no indication that Musial, whose batting percentage slipped a little last season with a final .330, nor Schoendienst, who was paid $40,000 last year for his .315 percentage, took a pay cut. Musial, six-time National League batting champion, and one of the oldest of the Cardinal players, said he figured he had "two or three more good years ahead."

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Chaotic Jerusalem House Numbers

The old system of numbering houses in Jerusalem is so chaotic that the worker putting up new numbers must be "led" around by a clerk from the Municipal Engineering Department who frequently has to consult a map.

The "team" can put up only eight numbers a day if the houses are scattered widely through the city. However, if the houses are on the same street, 30 numbers can be affixed daily with the clerk needing only an hour to "show" the worker where the houses are.

Anyone interested in having this "team" number his house should apply to Mr. Yitzhak Lestig, Room 18, Main Municipality building, 34 Jaffa Road, and pay IL.3 (which includes the cost of the house number and mounting).

British Week-End Sport Again Hit

By AKIVA KALMAN

British sport was badly affected by the weather and playing conditions for the second week running on Saturday, snow or water on ice causing the postponement of 36 League soccer matches, five Amateur Cup games, and 10 Rugby League meetings, among others. In Scotland five in each of the football Divisions were put off. After 30 days, horse racing recommenced with a meeting held at Newbury Park in "very heavy conditions."

Of the games played in the First Division of the English League — in which three were postponed, Wolverhampton Wanderers beat Charlton Athletic, 2-1 at home, while Sunderland drew 2-2 with Portsmouth in a home date, leaving the "Wolves" in the lead, on goal average, over their rivals, both holding 34 points. Manchester United, surprisingly held to 1-1 on their own pitch, by Bolton Wanderers, lie third, three points behind.

No less than five clubs follow the United, one point behind, in the honours race, Portsmouth, Charlton, Chelsea (who went down 0-3 to Manchester City at Stamford Bridge), Everton (whose game at Leicester was postponed), and Manchester City, Huddersfield Town) whose home fixture with Cardiff was postponed) is in ninth spot with 29 points.

Tottenham Hotspur revelled in the conditions at White Hart Lane and inflicted a 7-2 defeat on bottom-placed Sheffield Wednesday, which have 14 points, four less than Leicester City, which have a game in hand, and six less than Blackpool (with 20), which lost 3-1 to Aston Villa.

In two of the F.A. Amateur Cup games played, "giant-killers" Bishop Auckland slammed Ellis & Belvedere 5-0, but the famous amateurs, Walthamstow Avenue, stole the limelight with a 11-0 victory over Weir.

RESULTS: ENGLISH LEAGUE: Div. I: Aston V. 3, Blackp'l 1; Burnley 1, Newcastle 1; Chelsea 4, Man. C. 3; Man. U. 1, Bolton 1; P.N.E. 3, W. Brom. 1; Sunderl'd 2, Portsm'th 2; Tottenham 7, Sheff. W. 1; Wolves 2, Charlton 1 Div. II: Brix. R 3, West Ham 4; Livery'l 4, Blackburn 1; Leices 3, Middlesbro' 0; Plym'th 1, Derby 2; Port V. 1, Bourn. R. 1; Swansea 7, Leeds 0. SCOTTISH LEAGUE: Div. A: Aberdeen 2, St. Mirren 2; Clyde 1, Motherwell 1; Qns. p Stb. 4, Celtic 2.

The present standings and points in the First Division of the English League are: Wolves and Sunderland, 34 points; Man U. 31; Portsm'th, Charlton, Chelsea, Everton and Man. C., 29; Huddersf'd, 28; Preston, Burnley, 27; Newcastle, West Brom., 26; Tottenham, Cardiff, Aston V., 24; Bolton Sheff. U., 23; Arsenal, 22; Blackpool, 20; Leic. C. 18; Sheff. W., 14.

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JOE SCORES ALL

LONDON, Sunday. — Joe Davis, world snooker champion, set a new world record here yesterday when he scored 147 in one frame, adding one to his own previous best. The 147-point score is the highest attainable.

M.C.C. BATS IN FORM

ADELAIDE, Sunday. — The M.C.C. led by 294 runs at the close of second day's play against South Australia here yesterday, with three England bats in fine form a week before the fourth test match, scheduled to start at this ground next Friday. The scores are: S. Australia, 186; M.C.C. 419 for six.

Denis Compton hit 182, young Cowdrey, 64, and Peter May is not out with 102 to his credit. A sixth wicket partnership of 224 runs between Compton and May equalled the record set by Compton and Simpson.

NORWEGIAN, BRITISH CAR, FIRST IN RALLY

MONTE CARLO, Sunday (Reuter). — Captain Per Malling of Norway, driving a British Sunbeam-Talbot today won the 1955 Monte Carlo Rally.

Second place went to Georges Gilland, of France, (Dyna Panhard) and third was Hans Gerdum (Mercedes Benz) of Germany.

COUSY IN FORM

BOSTON, (UP). — Bob Cousy, top player with 28, playing one of his most brilliant games of the season, led the Boston Celtics to their sixth straight victory, a 103-98 win over the New York Knickerbockers before a crowd of 5,000.

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SOVIET TEAM TO TOUR INDIA

NEW DELHI, Sunday (UP). — A Russian football team is scheduled to arrive in Calcutta next Sunday for a six-week tour of India.

The Russians will play five test matches, in addition to 12 other matches against Indian teams throughout the country.

The Russian team will not have its first big work-out for a month after their arrival, since the Calcutta Football Club grounds will not be available until the first week of March. It was understood negotiations were now under way to extend the Russians' tour to Ceylon.

PISTONS' LUCK CHANGES

FORT WAYNE, (Ind.) (UP). — The Fort Wayne Pistons broke a four-game losing streak, their longest of the season, to trounce Milwaukee, 89-78, before 3,981 fans.

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5½% Govt Dollar 3(?)	1380
4½% Govt Bds. (large)	97½
4% Reg. Sterling "A"	95
4% Reg. Sterling "B" a)	94½
Pal Reserve Bds. Ser. 9	744
Bk. Leumi ord sh.	301
A.P.B. Investm. 6% debs. 50/70 a)	97½
ord. sh. "B"	117½
Gazit ord. sh. "B"	1380
Elbery Inv. ord. "B"	1400
P.E.C.Inv.ord."B"sh.c)	1450
Gen Mortg. Bk. ord. sh.	89
Discr 4% debs.56/68 a)	99
Nir 6% Debs. (bear.) a)	98½
5% pref. sh. c)	70½
Pass 4% debs. 60/64 reg	85½
"Java" 5% debs)	93½
I.L.D.C. ord. sh. reg.	127
5% debs. c)	93½
Afr. Pal. Inv. ord. sh.	1041
Hassco 6% pref. ord sh.	97½
Pal. Potash 6% pref. sh.	422
"A" ord. shares	275
Pal. Elec. ord. sh. (Ber.	—
Pal. Elec. ord. sh. (Lon	—
Jer. Elec. Corp. ord. sh.	—
Mahoreth pref. sh. b)	45½
Afo ord "B" sh.	1270
6-6½% conv. debs. c)	96
"Kardassah"ord. "B"sh.	1465
7% conv. debs. 59/64 c'	104½
Meller-Dee ord.sh.reg.xa)	1035
Pal.Brewery7%con sh c)	963
Assis Bajarano "B" sh. c	257
"Tevel" ord. sh. c)	308
Nesher 6% debs. "A" c)	110
6% debs. "B" c)	1254
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ord sh. rec. d)	2163
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After the lapse of the said day, the Municipality will not be responsible for these effects.
M. Ichilov,
Deputy Mayor
Jan. 21, 1955.

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"X-Rays" Dr. Samuelson, for Hebrew David Adam Volunteers, M.D.A. building, 7.30 p.m.
"Building and Building Stones in Israel", Dr. F. Bentor, U.N. geological expert, Prime Minister's Office, 5 p.m.
★ Debate:—
"Should the Number of Institutions of Higher Learning in Israel be Increased?": Dr. S. Levine, Director of Department of Education and Culture, of Tel Aviv Municipality, Dr. Y. Leibowitz, of the Hebrew University, auspices Association for Advancement of Science, Natural Sciences Faculty building, 29 Rehov Marcus. 8.30 p.m.
★ Exhibitions:—
"Conquest of the Desert" permanent exhibition at the Sochnut Israel pavilion of the international "Conquest of the Desert" Exhibition. 10-1, 4-6 p.m.
Department of Antiquities, special exhibition: Excavations of a Canaanite Temple on the acropolis of Hazor. CIVILITA (17th century M.S.S.) 9 Rehov Bikoom Hamphlech. Open 9-1.
Memorial Exhibition of Architectural Works and Drawings by Leopold Krakauer. Also African Folk Art. Exhibit of the Month: Max Liebermann: Prof. Hermann Cohen, 9-1, 2-5 Bezalel Museum.
★ Tours:—
Hebrew University conducted tour new Administration Building, King George Ave., opposite Terra Sancta, 10 a.m.
★ Film Shows:—
Keren Hayesod, for tourists and friends, 8.30 a.m.
★ Library:—
American Library and Reading Room, U.S. Consulate, Mamilla Rd, Entrance free, 9-1; 3-6.

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★ Exhibitions:—
1) Jacob Wechsler, recent oil paintings, 1954. 2) Drawings by Masters of the Italian Renaissance (reproductions). Open daily 10-4; Fridays, Saturdays 10-1; Sundays 4-10 p.m. — Tel Aviv Museum.
★ Theatre:—
Habimah, "The Wild Duck." Habimah, 8 p.m. (Sold Out).
"Tyrannion," Chamber Theatre, Mograbi 3 pm

HAIFA
★ Exhibitions:—
Sculptures by Benno Schotz (Glasgow) and works by three Parisian Sisters, Municipal Museum, Town Hall, 10-1, 4-7.

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★ Theatre:—
Yiddishev Komedie Theatre, "Die Derfache Libe," Liberal-Liliana, 8.30 p.m.

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Mt. Carmel	64	9	16	15
Tiberias	62	35	21	24
Haifa Port	69	39	21	24
Netanya	70	9	23	21
Tel Aviv Port	68	9	19	19
Tel Aviv Kirya	—	—	—	21
Lydda Airport	69	6	22	22
Jerusalem	61	29	15	17
Beersheba	58	3	21	23
Sedom	74	12	23	25
Eilat	79	11	27	27

*A) Humidity at 1 p.m. B) Minimum temp. C) Maximum yesterday. D) Maximum temp. expected today.

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UNDER SUSPICION of having received credit on the basis of false claims and of having forged documents, Yehoshua Ashkenazi, of Jerusalem, was detained for 15 days yesterday by order of Jerusalem Magistrate M. Haimowitz. The police declined to reveal details.

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THE ELITE FACTORY exported $78,000 worth of chocolates and chewing gum to the U.S., Canada and the U.K. during the past two months.

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FOR THREATENING Mr. Avraham Molchov, a building contractor, with bodily injury unless he recognised a demand for payment of a debt without arbitration, Yitzhak Feldman, also a contractor, was fined IL.50 yesterday by Jerusalem Magistrate M. Even-Tov.

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THE TIME LIMIT for submitting books and other material on Independence Day for consideration by the Judges Committee for the Israel Prize, has been extended to February 7. Material should be submitted in quadruplicate to "Israel Prize," Ministry of Education and Culture, Jerusalem.

NEW HISTADRUT FILMS ON LIFE IN ISRAEL

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — Eilat, the southern port of Israel and the future gateway to the Far East, is the subject of a recently completed Histadrut documentary film. This is the tenth in a series of 12½-minute citizenship and information documentaries produced by the Histadrut. As in the case of its predecessors, it will be copied on both 35 mm. and 16 mm. to be shown in popular-priced cinemas and at private gatherings.

Three of the films have English dialogue, and copies have been ordered by the Labour Attache of the British Embassy. They deal with the relationship in Israel between man and water, the building of the Sdom-Kurnub road, and the gradual bond of friendship which grows between four workmates who originate from Israel, the Yemen, Morocco and Germany.

Mr. Yosef Burstein, head of the Cultural Department of the Histadrut who is responsible for the productions, told *The Jerusalem Post* that the purpose of the films was to describe to the Israelis the daily life of many of their fellow countrymen. The programme of films to be made includes one on life in a border settlement and the story of workers employed at night.

RATION NEWS

TEL AVIV AND SOUTH: Chocolate: 1 bar on Aleph, Bet and Gimel cards, no coupon, temp. 12. Sweetened cocoa: on Aleph, Bet and Gimel cards, 250 gms., no coupon. Eggs: 3, Sameh 14, temp. 6. Poultry: for children: 250 gms., Sameh 26. Expectant mothers: 750 gms., coupons 1 and 2. Elderly persons: 500 gms., Mem Heh 43. Invalids: 500 gms., Het Aleph 1, Het Bet 4.

HAIFA AND NORTH: Eggs: 3, Sameh 14, temp. 6. Expectant mothers: 18, coupons 19 and 20. Invalids: 4, Het Aleph 1; 3, Het Bet 4; 8, Het Gimel 4. Poultry: for Aleph, Bet and Gimel cards, 250 gms., Sameh 26, temp. 40. Elderly persons: 500 gms., Mem Heh 43. Expectant mothers: 750 gms., Heh 2. Invalids: 500 gms., Het Aleph 1, Het Bet 4. Bananas: 500 gms., Tav Bet 33, temp. 42.

Supreme Religious Centre Will Lead 'Return to Faith'—Herzog

Jerusalem Post Reporter

"There is a great "return to the faith" movement both here and abroad and it needs the guidance of a Rabbinate which is above political parties and which will make its home in the Supreme Religious Centre, the Chief Rabbi, Dr. I.H. Herzog, said yesterday in Jerusalem.

Rabbi Herzog, who recently returned from a visit to Britain and Canada, was describing the role which the Centre, whose foundation is now being excavated in King George Avenue, is to play in the religious life of Jews here and abroad. Gentiles abroad looked to Jewry for a revival of the "spirit of the prophets," not only for accomplishments in the field of science, he said.

Rabbi Herzog

The Centre, which would be conducted by 20 scholars from overseas in addition to the existing members of the Chief Rabbinical Council, was already recognised by a great part of Diaspora Jewry as the highest authority in religious affairs. He hoped that acceptance from all others would be forthcoming in the near future. This would not create any problem of "dual loyalty," he added.

Rabbi Herzog declared that he would not be happy until the prisons became hospitals and yeshivot and until religious Jews could "lie down" to rest in the central streets of Jerusalem on the Sabbath with the certain knowledge that there would be no traffic.

His crowded itinerary abroad did not permit him to visit the U.S., he continued, adding that he hoped to make a special visit soon to that country.

Mr. Maurice Jaffe, Honorary Executive Director of the project, who accompanied the Chief Rabbi on his trip, said that IL.750,000 had already been raised towards the IL1.8m. estimated cost of the Centre, much of it due to the untiring efforts of Mr. Isaac Wolfson, Chairman of the British Committee for the Centre.

The Government had included IL.50,000 for the Centre in the Development Budget approved for the Jerusalem Municipality, and the Municipality had already transferred IL.30,000 for this purpose.

The seven-and-a-half storey building, designed by Messrs. Rubin and Friedman, is to include the following departments: Religious Law Court; Central Religious Library; Rabbinical Research Centre; Central Convocation Hall; Religious Museum and Central Religious Archives.

17 Zealots Arrested Near Children's Club

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Seventeen zealots, including Rabbi A. E. Meises, head of Yeshiva Torah Vayira, and Yeshayahu Blau, son of Rabbi Amram Blau, head of Natorei Karta, were arrested yesterday for illegal assembly in front of the Children's Club of the Working Mothers Organization in Rehov Devora Hanevia in Jerusalem. Five were released during the evening because they were minors or for reasons of health.

Shortly before dusk, about 70 zealots came storming out of the Meah Shearim quarter, several of them carrying a huge, three-line banner which read: "Persecutors of Religion; Without our Holy Torah, there is no reason for our existence; Take us all to jail."

'Yellow Badge'

Individual demonstrators were small, paper tags centred with a yellow Magen David Adom bearing the German letter "J" (for Jude) superimposed on a white background. At the top, the word "Jew" was written in Hebrew and at the bottom "Mark of a religious Jew who is persecuted in all countries of exile, but especially in the Zionist Exile."

About 30 policemen restored order. Several stones were thrown.

Thirty-eight zealots including Rabbi Blau and Rabbi Meises, are to be tried on charges of illegal assembly in the Jerusalem Magistrate's Court this week. Since most of the courts are small, it is technically impossible to hold one trial and the accused will be divided into groups.

Although Mr. Mordecai Friedmann, of the Jerusalem Labour Council, stated last week that Solel Boneh was to start "immediately" to build a wall around the club, Mr. Zvi Winansky, head of the local Solel Boneh branch, said yesterday that concrete plans had not yet been worked out.

75-TON FISHER CRAFT HERE FROM GERMANY

HAIFA, Sunday. — Dror, the second fishing vessel to be built in Germany under the Reparations Agreement, was delivered here this week-end by the veteran Dutch skipper, F.G. Glastra. Dror is a well-equipped, powerful, 75-ton vessel and cruised 25 days without stopping. She has room for 16 tons of fish in her refrigerated holds.

She will be turned over to the fishing village, Ma'agan Michael, near Zichron, which is receiving help from the Ministries of Finance and Agriculture.

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Haifa Port Staff Stop Overtime

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA, Sunday. — Haifa Port Authority employees have decided to stop overtime work in protest against the Ministry of Communications' alleged inaction on their demand for pay equalisation at the level of their colleagues in Tel Aviv and Jaffa. The Haifa men say that comparable jobs earn between 20 to 30 per cent more there.

Stoppage of overtime work will soon make itself felt where it hurts the Port most — in cargo handling departments. Winter is the busiest season and overtime is usually unavoidable.

Negev Oil Drillers Strike Coal

BEERSHEBA, Sunday. — Oil drillers working at "Rachme One" in the Negev reported that they have penetrated three metres of solid coal at a depth from which, however, it will not be commercially profitable to extract the coal.

With the exception of the Lebanon, none of the Arab states surrounding Israel has yet discovered coal deposits. Those found in the Lebanon are of an inferior lignite quality.

ZOA REMEMBERS DANIEL FRISCH

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — The spirit of Jewish heritage and American democracy was invoked by Mrs. Daniel Frisch at a ceremony at the Z.O.A. House here tonight when a plaque was unveiled in honour of her late husband, former President of the Zionist Organization of America, who died in March, 1950.

The U.S. Ambassador, Mr. Edward B. Lawson, spoke of "the great American" who endeavoured to strengthen cultural ties between the U.S. and this country. The Knesset Speaker, Mr. J. Sprinzak described how the Z.O.A. had become the symbol of the life of its late president. Dr. A. Stup, M.K., a relative of Daniel Frisch, delivered a eulogy.

Mr. Y. Serlin, the Minister of Health, and Dr. E. Neumann, spoke at the dinner which followed the ceremony.

GOLDMANN 'SATISFIED' WITH TALKS ON W.Z.O.

LYDDA AIRPORT, — Before leaving for Paris to take part in the session of the World Jewish Congress, Dr. Nahum Goldmann, Chairman of the New York Executive of the Jewish Agency, expressed his satisfaction today with the talks he had held here with representatives of various political parties. He thought that agreement would be reached among almost all the parties on changes in the activities of the Zionist Organization.

When Dr. Goldmann returns in early May, he intends to start a "second round" of these talks.

180 WOMEN WANT JOBS IN KFAR SABA

Jerusalem Post Reporter

KFAR SABA, Sunday. — Over 70 unemployed women demonstrated at the Histadrut headquarters here today. The local Labour Exchange has registered 180 women, some of whom have not had a single day's work this month.

Since citrus picking is not yet in full swing, employment in the neighbourhood is low, and 100 male workers have been taken on by the Municipality for relief work which is too rigorous for women.

CABINET

(Continued from page 1)

vide a legal basis for this practice.

The Cabinet yesterday also approved a draft Bill amending the law of evidence by authorising sworn declarations to be made before lawyers and notaries. This is meant to relieve the burden on magistrates, before whom such declarations must now be made.

The Cabinet referred to its Legislation Committee a draft Bill changing the punishment of persons under 18 years found guilty of crimes for which the penalty is now life imprisonment. The draft provides that the courts should not specify a fixed period of imprisonment in such cases, but that the Minister for Social Welfare should decide where and for how long such persons be detained.

Among the proposed changes in customs regulations referred to the Ministerial Economic Committee is one which would reduce from three years to one the period during which goods may be kept in bonded warehouses.

Cabinet Communique

The official communique stated:

The Cabinet at its weekly session yesterday:

Heard a comprehensive review by he Prime Minister on foreign policy;

Appointed a Ministerial Committee to approve the list of local authorities whose representatives will participate in the elections to the Council of the Chief Rabbinate;

Set up an inter-Ministerial council for communications and electronics;

Approved a draft Bill on business taxes (cooperative credit societies);

Approved a draft Bill amending the laws of evidence (declarations under oath);

Referred to the Ministerial Legislation Committee a draft Bill amending the income tax and customs regulations;

Referred to the Ministerial Legislation Committee a draft Bill amending the Young Offenders Ordinance.

Gershwin Planned 'Dybbuk' Opera

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — Instead of "Porgy and Bess," the imminent performance of which is causing unprecedented excitement here, its composer, George Gershwin, intended writing an opera based on the famous Yiddish play, "The Dybbuk."

This was revealed by Mrs. Leonore Gershwin, widow of the man who wrote the lyrics of the Negro folk opera, in a special interview with *The Jerusalem Post* today.

His plan to write an opera on "The Dybbuk" only fell through because of difficulties in acquiring the rights, said Mrs. Gershwin, who arrived last night.

George Gershwin was always very conscious of being a Jew and loved his people deeply, Mrs. Gershwin added. She felt it was particularly appropriate that the opera should come to Israel, which she had long wanted to visit.

Commenting on the tremendous demand for tickets for the production here, which has caused the Economic Police to be called in after reports of widespread "scalping," Mr. Alexander Smallens, musical director of the opera, said it was possible that the company might make a return visit.

At the Habimah Hall, where "Porgy and Bess" will have its local premiere on Wednesday, Mr. C. Bland, the stage manager, and Mr. Smallens were busy making preparatory plans for the production of the show considered to be the most ambitious presentation of its kind ever undertaken here.

Mr. Smallens, who conducted the opera at its first performance in Boston in October, 1935, had his first rehearsals with the Israel Army Orchestra tonight.

The main party of the company of the show is to arrive at Lydda Airport from Greece tomorrow.

A police spokesman told *The Jerusalem Post* today that unless members of the public who had bought tickets at black market prices were prepared to come forward with complaints, their immunity being guaranteed, it was impossible for the Police to take action. However, investigations into the distribution of tickets continued today.

4 WANT TO FIGHT FOR COSTA RICA

Four young men appeared at the Costa Rican Consulate General in Tel Aviv on Friday and told the Consul that they wished to volunteer for service against the invaders in Costa Rica, "Ma'ariv" has reported.

As he had received no instructions on how to deal with such volunteers, the Consul confined himself to taking down the personal data of the four youths and promised to convey their offer to his Government.

All four volunteers spoke good Hebrew and none was of South American origin.

EXTRADITION PACTS WITH FIVE STATES

LYDDA AIRPORT, Sunday. — Agreements for the extradition of criminals have been signed by Israel with France, Italy, Belgium, Holland and Luxemburg, the Director General of the Ministry of Justice, Mr. Joseph Kokia, said here today after returning from Europe, where he signed the agreements.

Mr. Kokia added that negotiations of a similar agreement with Switzerland had not yet been concluded.

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Police Seize Arab In Lawyer's Office

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA, Sunday. — An Israel Arab, whom police have accused of infiltration, was arrested today in a lawyer's office here just as he was about to sign a power of attorney to enable his counsel to press his case for an identity card in the High Court. The Court granted him an order nisi on his application on January 7. Another Arab client, who happened to be in the office, was also arrested on suspicion of having aided the first and paid his legal costs, but was released later.

Mr. G. Tshernisk, the advocate in whose office the man was arrested, vigorously protested against what he described as a breach of professional privilege and disrespect for the judiciary.

According to Mr. Tshernisk, his client, a resident of a Galilee village, had worked for the Defence Forces for some time. When identity cards were issued to his fellow villagers, he was away from home on a prolonged mission for the Army. Later, he was refused an identity card, and was arrested and deported.

The deported villager had returned, was re-arrested, imprisoned and again deported, and this cycle was repeated three times, Mr. Tshernisk said. On January 7, he obtained an order nisi from the High Court against the Minister of the Interior, but was ordered to present a sworn statement within 10 days. Before the man had had a chance to make this statement, he was again deported. He returned once again and went straight to the court here this morning. When he gave his name, a clerk, apparently forewarned, telephoned the police who came to seize him before he could swear the statement. The police could not find him in the court precincts but traced him to Mr. Tshernisk's office.

The man was being denied the protection of the law and was facing death in the country to which he would be deported, Mr. Tshernisk said. His life had already been threatened there as a spy and as a suspect infiltrator from Israel.

Mapai Youth Hold Frank Exchange'

By Our Labour Correspondent

Mapai circles are on the whole satisfied with the results of the gathering of the Party's youth which took place over the week-end at Beit Berl, near Kfar Saba. The intention was to provide an opportunity for a frank exchange of views, and though criticism was expressed, no fundamental cleavages emerged.

The main problem raised was the future of Kupat Holim and other Histadrut enterprises. Some of the participants strongly supported by Mr. Eliezer Livneh, M.K., were in favour of nationalizing Kupat Holim on general Socialist principles, but the replies of Mr. Moshe Sharett, Mr. Peretz Naphtali and Mr. Mordechai Namir, who pointed out that the application of the principles of socialism must depend on the circumstances in each country, made a strong impression.

There was no strongly-marked "left-wing" criticism. The coalition with the General Zionists was regretted, but its necessity was generally recognized. Strong feeling was expressed on the inadequacy of the country's assistance for the new immigrants and disquiet was felt at the extent of unemployment.

MAPAI ACQUIRES ELECTION H.Q.

Mapai has acquired new premises to accommodate its electoral machinery in time for the campaign for the forthcoming Knesset elections. A four-storey, 96-room building at 99 Rehov Ben Yehuda, Tel Aviv, has been purchased and will be ready for occupation in February.

The new headquarters will house the normal party administration, the special election workers, the World Poalei Zion Union and other bodies.

AMMAN WEEKLY BANNED

Another Jordan weekly, "Sawt a-Sha'ab" (Voice of the People) was suspended by the Amman authorities for one month, according to the Old City daily, "Falastin", yesterday.

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BITER BIT

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — Serving a sentence for burglary in Jaffa Prison, Dib Kashkush complained to the Warden on Friday that news had reached him that his flat in Jaffa had been broken into and that IL.400 worth of furniture and various other articles had been removed.

The police have arrested three of Kashkush's neighbours as suspects. *(Itim)*

Court Upholds Right Of Beisan Mayor, Council

The High Court yesterday discharged an order nisi calling on the Beisan Council and Mayor to show cause why they should not revoke the dismissal of the Municipal Treasurer, Mr. Ya'acov Weiss. The applicant had claimed that the decision to dismiss him, taken at a Council meeting on July 1, was illegal.

The Court ruled that there was no need to consider the legality of the decision taken at that meeting since an additional meeting had been called following the issuance of the order nisi and the dismissal was authorized retroactively to July 1. The Court expressed the opinion that the Mayor had not acted arbitrarily in this matter.

The Court consisted of President Olshan and Justices Silberg and Witkon.

(The case will be dealt with in *The Jerusalem Post* Law Reports).

Mrs. Bension Testimony Should Be Re-heard

The Jerusalem District Court yesterday rejected a Prosecution motion that testimony given by Mrs. Samuel Bension before the Examining Magistrate be submitted to the Court. The Court is hearing charges against Shaul Nehemia, Avraham Siton and Mordecai Gozlan, for the murder of Dr. Samuel Bension on August 20 in the Kiryat Moshe quarter of Jerusalem.

Mr. Ezra Hedaya, the District Attorney, claimed that the prosecution could not produce Mrs. Bension as a witness since she was now in the U.S. Mr. Jacob Hagler claimed for the defence that the prosecution could have prevented her going until she had given evidence before the Court.

A son of the deceased, Mr. Y. Bension, testified yesterday on the relations between his family and Nehemia. *(Itim)*

ACCIDENT DEATHS DOWN TO 1.2%

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — Chief Superintendent Yehuda Guy, head of the Traffic Department in police headquarters, told the press today that fatalities in the total number of accidents had dropped from 3.4 per cent in 1950 to 1.2 per cent last year.

Mr. Guy said that the police would use every means possible to bring "level-crossing offenders" to court. The law required drivers of vehicles carrying explosives or more than eight persons to halt their vehicles six metres from the railway lines and "look and listen." He expressed the hope that the public would assist the police by insisting on that rule being carried out and by reporting violations.

He revealed that drivers were compelled by law to give their name and address on request.

Spanish Anarchist Gang Sentenced in France

LYONS, Sunday (Reuter). — Eight members of a Spanish Anarchist gang, on trial for a series of assaults in the neighbouring countryside between 1944 and 1951, were sentenced here yesterday to terms of imprisonment ranging from three to 15 years.

The gang went on trial on January 12 charged with a series of armed robberies. The members were sentenced to prison terms ranging from five to 20 years on these charges. They will appear in a third and probably more sensational case later when they will face murder charges.

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Research Projects Looking For Better Housing, and Cheaper

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — The U.S. Operations Mission and the Ministry of Labour Housing Department intend launching six joint research projects aimed at saving foreign currency in building costs and improving the standard of government-built structures, without more expense. Last week Dr. Lincoln R. Hale, head of USOM, and its housing consultant, Mr. Harold J. Robinson, were shown dwelling units embodying experimental methods by the head of the Labour Ministry Housing Department, Mr. D. Tanne.

The research projects envisaged will help Government planners decide on ceiling height, the type of foundation suitable for various terrains, and the best material for outside walls. The possibility of more mechanization in the building industry, and the advantages and defects of various housing designs will be examined. The Technion has been asked to undertake part of the engineering and soil-testing work.

The total cost of this research should not exceed IL.40,000 and $8,000, Mr. Robinson considered. As housing constitutes the second largest item in the Development Budget (about IL.28m. for 1954-55) such expenditure cannot be termed disproportionately large, he noted.

The sixth research project will explore ways of using precast concrete building elements instead of wood or metal. Examples of concrete roof struts replacing wooden planks were the point of interest in last week's tour. Immigrant houses in the extensive schemes at Pardess Hannah and Givat Olga (Hadera) follow the usual two-storey pattern. But a four-family block with a concrete roof represented a $100 saving. Concrete tiles of double the normal width and length have been manufactured to lie across the widely spaced concrete ribs. These tiles are more brittle than the usual ones. The Housing Department is trying to standardize pre-cast elements in the five factories which manufacture them.

"When we have solved the technical headaches of using 7-ton," Mr. Tanne said, "we shall be ready to buy the factory's whole output." These blocks, more weather-proof and better insulators than concrete blocks, were employed in Givat Olga dwellings. A good method of cementing the blocks together has as yet evaded the experimenters. Due to the extra fuel consumed in "baking" the blocks, foreign currency saved on raw material was counterbalanced. "Elvana" silicate blocks have been tried out in Givat Olga, raising similar problems.

The shabby canvas huts of a sub-bara near Zichron Ya'acov adjoin 190 two-family bungalows now under construction, which incorporate higher living standards than in earlier rural projects. USOM has constantly urged bigger and better houses in planning the immigrant village, to attract settlers. The Zichron bungalows have tiled floors, inside toilet and shower, larger rooms and a fence round their garden. Creamy-brown stone quarried in the Carmel range makes a pleasant and durable exterior in some of the houses. The inner walls are made of concrete blocks, and the gap behind the stone facade is filled with earth for insulation. These houses cost 20 per cent more than all-concrete dwellings, but need little maintenance compared with a plaster exterior. They also save currency on cement.

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Cables in Brief

WORLD BANK. — Officials from France, Greece, Cuba, Paraguay, Ethiopia, Iraq, the Lebanon and Haiti have begun a special training programme in Washington organized by the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development to study at first hand how the World Bank is organized and administered.

SHOTS. — Traffic was diverted for more than an hour on Saturday when a fire in a sports shop set off about 100,000 shotgun shells and 15,000 cartridges. It was reported yesterday from Memphis, Tennessee.

ACCEPTS. — President Tito has accepted an invitation to visit France this year, according to the Yugoslavian news agency Tanjug. The decision was learned yesterday in Mysore which the President is now visiting on his trip to India.

EYE. — Two Chinese surgeons successfully transplanted a monkey's eye in a blind man last November, the New China News Agency announced yesterday. The operation was performed at the People's Hospital in Linchow, Kwangsi Province.

SUICIDES. — Three people plunged to death from separate blocks of flats yesterday in Queens, a residential borough of New York City, all within three hours. Each jumped from the sixth storey level — one man from a roof and another man and a woman from windows.

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CONCENTRATED BALANCE SHEET AS AT MARCH 31, 1954.

	IL.	IL.
SHARE CAPITAL AND RESERVES:		
Share Capital	1,207,234	
Reserves (including reserve for revaluation of machinery amounting to IL.121,504) and balance of profit	243,327	1,450,561
DEBENTURES AND LONG TERM LIABILITIES:		
Debentures	240,648	
Loans	1,569,343	1,809,990
CURRENT LIABILITIES:		
Banks, creditors and credit balances	4,092,852	
Contracts to be carried out	5,393,910	
Less: work carried out o/a of contracts (see assets)	4,018,765	1,379,345 6,582,097
CONTINGENT LIABILITIES	1,632,722	

	IL.	IL.
LAND DEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING PROJECTS AT COST:		
Freehold property investments in development and settlement projects and houses for sale	7,340,008	
Less: Work carried out o/a of contracts with settlers (see liabilities)	4,015,765	
	3,324,241	
Buildings in housing projects	65,343	
Goods in stock at cost, or market value whichever lower, and advances on account of goods	1,234,354	5,223,937
FIXED ASSETS:		
Shares in subsidiary and affiliated companies and securities, at cost or below	443,130	
Machinery and equipment (partly revalued according to the change in the rate of exchange) offices and stores, scaffoldings and cars, at cost, less written-off	826,439	
Long term loans to institutions and participations in joint investments	313,639	1,397,447
CURRENT ASSETS:		
Debtors and debit balances	2,772,197	
Cash at banks and in hand	313,380	3,085,577
EXPENSES TO BE WRITTEN OFF		20,387
		IL.9,042,349

Statement pursuant to section 107 of the Companies Ordinance 1929:
Profits of the Subsidiary Companies have not been included in the above accounts.

On behalf of the Board of Directors:
Dr. A. GRANOTT, Director — Dr. Y. FOERDER, Director — IL.9,042,349

On behalf of the Board of Directors:
Dr. A. GRANOTT, Director — Dr. Y. FOERDER, Director

We have audited the books of "Rassco" Rural and Suburban Settlement Company Ltd., for the year ended March 31, 1954, and have prepared the above concentrated Balance Sheet, which in our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations received, gives a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at March 31, 1954.

Tel Aviv, November 30, 1954.

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MISDIRECTED WEAPONS

THE agreement of Iraq to enter into a pact with Turkey has already paid off dividends in Baghdad with a second shipment of arms from the United States speeding on its way. The action of the United States in despatching these arms, while stimulated at this moment perhaps by the move of Iraq towards the West, may be intended to give the other Arab states a good and strong psychological push in the desired direction of their joining up with Turkey and thus helping promote a Western orientated defence organization. It is however basically conditioned by the pursuit of the longed for 'Northern Tier' which United States strategists seem to consider so important a step in closing the outer ring of Mediterranean defences. In pursuit of this aim and in order to complete a theoretically rounded off plan, no consideration is to be allowed to stand in the way. The type of Government which joins is of no importance; the respect paid to the ideals of democracy and freedom which America is trying to inculcate in this imperfect world is of no significance; the effect on tried and trusted friends like Israel is of no account; the ring must be closed. And if that ring is just one of coloured paper illumined by a roseate glow of wishful speculation that does not seem to matter.

But how much real strength does the readiness of Iraq to sign a pact with Turkey really add to the dispositions of the West in the area? The stability of the present regime is of a very doubtful quality; the pact is obviously very unpopular in the country and beyond it; the antics at Cairo indicate how much pressure will be brought to bear upon Iraq not to proceed with ratification. If on the other hand some sort of arrangement will emerge between the Arab states it will only be on the basis of an agreement between the Arab League powers to look upon the pact and honour it just insofar as it contributes to the strengthening of their mutual designs against Israel. This can be already seen from certain of the provisions inserted in the pact undoubtedly at the instance of Iraq. Thus, for example, the pact talks about the prevention of aggression from without and from within the zone. The first part of this statement is easy to comprehend; but from whom does Iraq fear aggression within the zone? This slur is clearly directed against Israel. It may not mean anything to Turkey who allowed it to stand so as to secure the agreement; it must be of much psychological value to Iraq.

Another provision is the agreement of both parties to observe United Nations principles and decisions. What principles is Iraq referring to? Does she hope to get Turkey's support in pressuring Israel for the implementation of United Nations decisions of which she in concert with the other Arab States herself made a dead letter when she attacked Israel on the threshold of our statehood?

The Turco-Iraqi pact has contributed nothing to justify the United States in pursuing further its policy of supplying arms to Iraq so long as that country remains the most inveterate enemy of Israel. There is no guarantee that the strengthening of Iraq will not encourage her in aggression against this country. This may not at first sight seem important to America in its reach after the Northern Tier, but the fact remains that any arrangement in this area which ignores the existence of Israel is bound to be unrealistic and in the worst case can create such turmoil as will render the whole Western strategy in this area all but nugatory.

$10m. FOR J.N.F.

The Jewish National Fund has obtained a $10m. loan from the Bank of America in San Francisco, one of the biggest banks in the U.S. The loan, repayable over three years at four per cent interest, will enable the Fund to consolidate its debts, the Fund announced yesterday.

An earlier loan of $15m. made by the Bank to the J.N.F. in 1948, has already been repaid in full.

Special Organization 'Cares For' Visitors to Russia

By HAIM SHUREB

ONE of the praiseworthy aspects of the Soviet Union is the way in which its people are encouraged to learn about its history. The treasures of the Czarist past are attended to with loving care in the Kremlin's old churches and never fail to impress tourists from near and far. The Museum of the Revolution and the Lenin Museum exhibit a wealth of pictures, photographs and documents that help to engrave the guides' and lecturers' remarks in the memory of the large numbers of visitors.

The visitor to the Lenin Museum, where the statesman's life and work are illustrated and documented in full detail, cannot fail to get the impression that Lenin and Stalin were inseparable, and that there was not one deed of the master, great or small, with which the disciple was not associated. He will look in vain, on the other hand, for several prominent leaders of the Revolution, and in particular he will find no sign of the participation of a single Jew.

The beginnings of the Revolution may be traced in the collection of newspapers and pamphlets that is kept in the great Lenin Library in Moscow, where a bald, rotund little man with characteristic Jewish features came to my assistance, seeing that I was a foreigner. He showed me a special edition of the Soviet Constitution, 150 copies of which were printed on the occasion of the 1937 Paris Exhibition.

The subject of assistance to foreigners calls for a few words about Intourist, the institution which caters to foreigners in the Soviet Union. It operates special hotels, a car service, a theatre ticket service, and a large pool of tourist guides. It visas your passport, arranges your trips, and makes your travel reservations. Its clerks and guides are patient and polite, though tried by visitors of so many nations. It is interesting to watch its blonde girls accompanying visiting groups of Chinese and Indians and speaking Chinese or Hindi with them.

In every city, "Intourist" meets the visitor from abroad at the airport or the railway station, where it generally has its own room. It transports him in its car to the hotel. There, in the lobby, he can obtain a whole range of newspapers from abroad — all Communist (the non-Communist Press is available only in foreign embassies and legations). In the dining room, he is shown to a special table — although this does not always work.

A few minutes after I had sat down at such a table, two Russians came along and sat beside me. The waiter came up and asked them to move to another table. "Why should they?" I asked. "They don't bother me." The waiter started to answer, then stopped short. The Russian guests, not realizing that I was a foreigner, sat tight.

Had they understood, they might have moved over. Or, perhaps, they would have merely smiled, as I did, at this prohibition of contact with me. For the man in the street is not so circumspect as all that. Outside of a restaurant which I wanted to enter one day with some other Israelis, we were stopped by the doorkeeper, who explained, with a smile on his lips, that we could not go in because "they were feeding a delegation in there."

Extra Attractions to Bring Tourists

By THEODOR F. MEYSELS

IN a previous article (on January 12) the author tried to draw attention to the fact that for the bona fide holiday maker Israel, as an exclusive goal, is not a competitive proposition, so that an effort should be made to offer "extras" which would turn the journey of our guests-to-be into a veritable "Eastern Mediterranean Cruise."

Perusal of international travel magazines brings out the fact that most of the cheaper cruises are really normal return trips with some additional stops thrown in for good measure. Adriatica, for instance, features its regular trips to Haifa by way of Naples and Piraeus as "Spring Cruises" and offers organized tours in both ports of call. If we recognise that no one who prefers sea to air transportation is in a special hurry, we could easily do better.

Spring Schedule

Let's dream up a schedule for Shoham-Zim Spring Cruises:

The first stop for our ships out of Marseilles is Naples. At present, the only provision there is that travellers intending to embark are met at the station by an impostor with a Shoham cap, who charges them fourfold for transport to the harbour. And woe to those who let him handle their heavy luggage!

If Shoham would organize trips to Pompeii and Herculaneum, while its ships are in port, as does Adriatica, some additional dollars would be earned. That would be Item I on the advertisements of our cruise.

Crete Forgotten

The next morning, our ships are off Messina. Why can't we tarry for half a day and allow our passengers a visit to the famous town and to the lovely Mondello beach nearby? There would be no need to enter the port. The ship could anchor in the roadstead, saving taxes. The tourists would willingly pay their disembarkation fees. Such Sicilian sightseeing by a 100-odd passengers would again bring some tidy dollars.

One day later, we pass Crete, that wondrous island forgotten by the tourist trade. Our ships round the southern shore, but it should not make a great difference if their course were set along the northern coast. They could drop anchor for some hours at Candia and give the passengers a chance to see Knossos on an organized trip. Almost every educated traveller would jump at that chance, otherwise afforded only at the cost of a protracted trip aboard small Greek boats.

On the return journey, we could offer a magnificent coach trip into the Trodos mountains, or a visit to the important mediaeval monuments of Khiti, from Limassol, where at present the disembarking passengers spend a boring afternoon in the waterfront cafes. Again the company would most decidedly not lose on this proposition.

Riviera Excursion

Westbound ships could spend some hours in Catania, allowing an excursion to Mt. Etna or to Taormina along the "Riviera of the Cyclops." Finally, the scheduled stop at Genoa could be the base for a most attractive Riviera excursion. Thus, a dull crossing would be turned into an attractive cruise with additional earnings for the company. The delay? Less than 24 hours. Well, in any case we have lost the fastest ship in the Eastern Mediterranean with the Kedmah gone. Far greater loss of time is often incurred to respect the sabbatical sleep of Haifa Port.

To add some international highlights to the foreigner's stay in Israel would be equally easy, or even easier if our touring organisers show some initiative. With the new Reparations ships arriving, some small ships should become available for short trips. For smaller groups these could also be undertaken in chartered planes at a slightly higher cost.

Almost at our doorstep we have at least three tourist attractions of the highest rank which are astonishingly neglected by their own countries. Two hours away by plane, or one night by ship, there is Iskanderun (Alexandretta) Turkey's southernmost port, the base for coach-trips to the magnificent ruins of Antioch and Seleucia and to the heights of the Musa Dagh, made famous by Franz Werfel. This could be a two-day excursion by ship which, with the passengers sleeping on board, would attract many foreign tourists and enough Israelis to fill available space.

On 'Doorstep'

The offer of a conducted tour to Cyprus would be equally attractive. It could "take in" the mediaeval towns, the castles and monasteries of that fairy-tale island in about three days. And another lovely island within the easy reach of our coastal shipping is Rhodes of the Knights, otherwise almost as difficult to get to as Crete. Just imagine those three tours, offered as a package deal with two weeks in Israel and the above-mentioned cruise. Wouldn't it sound far more tempting than what we offer now? And the only difference would be that we would earn considerably more dollars.

However, these modest suggestions, open to modifications by shipping experts, do not imply that there isn't ample room for improvement of the heart-breakingly calcinated sightseeing programmes traditionally offered within Israel's borders by the cartel of sightseeing coach-owners. A lot could be done to make the sojourn of our guests more attractive if our organisers could be prevailed upon to leave the beaten track and to make use of this country's wonderful new roads.

(Ways and means to make tourist programmes here more attractive, will be discussed in a concluding article.)

Readers' Letters

HATE CAMPAIGN

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir,—Mr. Elias Kouses, a local Arab, is damaging the country whose citizenship he doubtless wishes to retain by crossing into a foreign state and stirring up anti-Israel hatred. In every self-respecting nation, acts like these are called treason, especially during periods when national existence is threatened by organized murderers dedicated to a nation's destruction.

No Jew in any Arab country has a fraction of the privileges accorded our Arabs.

Yours, etc.
BERTRAM H. APPLEBY
Rehovot, January 13.

DANGEROUS ROAD

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — The only road to Tirat Hacarmel, branching off from the Haifa-Tel Aviv highway, is in a miserable state, a horror to car drivers.

When I asked some residents about it a year ago, I was told that "our Local Council and the Government are quarrelling who should pay for the repairs and we are afraid that nothing will be done about it until some major accident occurs." I myself had a small accident with my car on this road and I have heard of a number of similar accidents.

Will the authorities wait until lives are lost until they make up their minds to do something about repairs?

Yours etc.,
E. H.

Haifa, November 29.

The above letter was sent to the Public Works Department, November 30 but no reply has been received. In the meantime, E.H. has written to us again to say that the road "has deteriorated further and not the slightest repair has been made. So long as our authorities do not find their way to eliminating such a dangerous source of accidents, all their daily exhortations for security on the roads are mere words."

PENFRIENDS

Helene Szwarsberg, Shikun Rassco 4/3, Givatayim, 18 years old and formerly from France, wants to correspond with an American from 19 to 24 years of age.

KEEPING POSTED

WHILE we do not think that it is either sensible or useful to cause small children to write essays on political subjects—instead of keeping firmly to their own direct range of experience and writing sense, the results are sometimes surprisingly straightforward. A child of nine was asked "Where are the buildings of the Hebrew University and what is their fate?" Her written answer was simple. "The buildings of the Hebrew University are on Mount Scopus and their fate is bitter."

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THE main purpose of a model ship in a bottle is to mystify the beholder, and make him wonder how on earth the thing ever got through the nar-

row neck of the container. A life-long maker of ships-in-bottles once told us that masts and spars are hinged to the decks and each other, folded down flat for the passage through the bottle-neck, and then carefully pulled upright by means of a system of threads and rings. Others say that the masts should be glued in position inside the bottle with the aid of tongs or pincers. Anyway you do it, it's a good honest piece of mystification. But now we have heard that an American firm mass-produces these model ships as ornaments by a very easy means. It makes the ship first and then puts the bottle round it in two halves that are carefully and invisibly fused together. The simplicity is shattering, but the bottle now seems superfluous.

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FOR the benefit of the million-and-a-half or so people in Israel who will not have an opportunity of seeing Porgy and Bess while it is playing here we should like to say that it is without any exception the most entrancing musical play we have been privileged to see, and one of the best pieces of entertainment generally. Although the play purports to be Negro folk art, is the work of an American-Jewish composer, and observes the normal conventions of contemporary American drama, it emerges as large as life and twice as natural, a little down-at-heel but bursting with vitality, crammed with tragedy and stupid jokes, quite impossible and wholly convincing.

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THE play tells the story of a cripple who can move only with the aid of a little goat carriage, and his girl and her other admirer, not only able-bodied but gigantic. There is gossip round a village square, trouble about a funeral, an unbelievable tempting holiday outing to an island, and families waiting for their men to come back after a stor mat sea. All wrapped in Gershwin music, and cheerfully presented by a set of actors who are either really enjoying themselves or manage successfully to convey this illusion, and to transmit it to the audience. The only character in the play who is not coloured is a poor fish of an overseer or land agent, thin, pale, shabby and pitiful because he cannot compete with the strong rhythm of life around him. We saw the play performed in a staid theatre in race-conscious Washington, where it had been almost as difficult to get a ticket as it is here. The successful competitors seemed to be about equally divided between White and Coloured, and everybody had a good time. In fact, it is a great pity that you are going to miss it.

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WE always try to keep off the subject of buses, partly because they have become a bore, and partly because we think that there are the same proportion of ill-willed and cantankerous bus passengers as drivers and the cantankerousness stems in both cases from the fact that Israelis permit politics — of government, religion or money-making—to irritate them to a point where they will always gladly pick a fight with a stranger. We have heard of a case of this willingness that seems to us to sum the matter up. It seems that, just outside Haifa, two Egged drivers got into an argument. Driver A told Driver B to take on his, A's, passengers that wished to go down into the town, as he was going straight up the Carmel. Driver B said that A should keep his own passengers, and that he didn't want to go down either. The argument continued for a full five minutes. There were about 25 passengers in each bus; some became restless at the thought of being fought over by the two drivers, while others rather relished the prospect, as it would obviously hurt the drivers more than it would hurt them. Just as it looked as though the fight would start Driver B gave way reluctantly, and A airily invited anybody wishing to go down-town to step over into the other bus. There was nobody who wanted to go.

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A DOG-LOVER writes that he was crossing the Mamilla cemetery recently when he came on a little group of boys squatting in a circle round a

young mongrel dog. The boys all looked hopeful and seemed to be trying to catch the dog's eye. The puppy was not very interested and perhaps a bit puzzled. Our friend asked what was going on, and one of the boys explained that the gang had found the puppy, lost and wandering, some time ago, and had adopted him. He was now of an age to need a licence, and they had got together to pay the IL.3 needed. The licence could only be made out in the name of a single owner, however, and they were giving the dog a chance to choose. When he came back the same way an hour later the gang was still around, but the dog had never made up his mind, they said. They drew sticks in the end.

Today's contributors include: E. H., Haifa, and Th.F.M., J.C. and J.J., Jerusalem.

Yesterday's Press

M.A.C. 'Encourages' Attacks

"Haboker" (General Zionist) criticizes the abstention of the Chairman of the Israel-Jordan Mixed Armistice Commission from censuring Jordan for the Agur murder and expresses apprehension that such an attitude may encourage further attacks. The paper notes that circumstantial evidence in such cases is quite enough — it was sufficient, for instance, in the eyes of an enquiry commission in Costa Rica, to justify the conclusion that Nicaragua had assisted the attack on that country.

"Hatzofe" (World Mizrahi Union) writes that by trying to preserve a certain balance between the two sides, without considering the merits of each case, the observers are creating a dangerous situation. Following the rejection of the Israel resolution on the one hand and the increase of acts of aggression on the other, our policy of self-restraint has been put into a sore trial (the self-restraint comes in for heavy editorial criticism in "Ma'ariv" and "Yediot Aharonot").

Radical Approach

"Herut" stresses that acts of retaliation may temporarily alleviate the situation and cause a decrease in the number of attacks, but that its party has always pointed out that a more radical approach is needed to put an end to the bloodshed on the Israel frontiers. This is not adventurism but simply the wish to protect the life of Jews in this country.

"Ha'aretz" (non-party) observes that though Gamal Abdul Nasser and some other Arab leaders accuse Nuri Said of having given in to the Turks and not having received promises with regard to Israel, this seems to be mere "eye-wash." The Iraqis have been given certain Turkish assurances which, according to Baghdad and Beyrut spokesmen, strengthen the Arab position vis a vis Israel.

"Davar" (Histadrut) deals with the draft Development Budget and defends the proposals made by the Minister of Finance. The paper notes that the dispute between Mapai and the General Zionists has its origin in the different approach of the two sides towards social and economic questions in general: in this country private capital has never shown much enthusiasm for development projects and thus state intervention has become imperative.

"Al Hamishmar" (Mapam) comments on the many cases of food adulteration and complains that the Government has been incapable to carry out efficient control. The paper welcomes the draft bill to be tabled in the Knesset but thinks that legal means to curb these malpractices will not be enough: It demands the concentration of control under one authority.

"Zmanim" (Progressive) deals with the impending tourist season: little, if anything, has been done by the Jerusalem municipality to attract tourists here and hold them for some time. The paper says that there is hardly any entertainment in the city, especially in the evening, and believes this a result of existing municipal by-laws.

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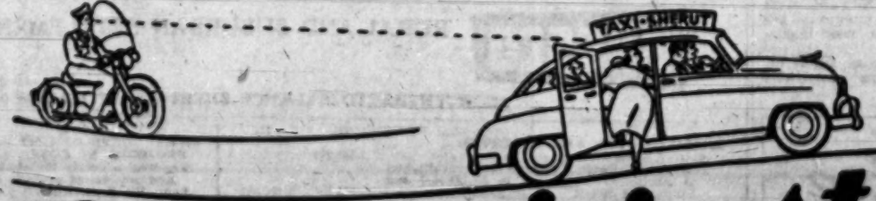

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